(घ) निर्माण कार्य में तेजी लाने के लिए क्या कार्यवाही की गई है या करने का विचार है ?

जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री जगदीश टाईटलर) : (क) जगदलपुर-बस्तर-निजामाबाद खंड को 1989 में राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग (रा०रा० 16) के रूप में घोषित किया गया था ।

(ख) मध्य प्रदेश राज्य के लिए दो सड़क तथा एक पुल निर्माण कार्य जिनकी कुल लागत 140.37 लाख रु० की संस्वीकृत किया जा चुका हैं, और इनका कार्य विभिन्न स्तरों पर किया जा रहा है।

(ग) तथा (घ) पुल का निर्माण कार्य ठेके को अंतिम रूप देने में विलम्ब के कारण थोड़ा पिछड़ गया है लेकिन अब ठेके पर कार्यवाही शुरू कर दी गई है। कार्य को शीघ्र पूरा करने के लिए इस पर नियमित रूप से निगरानी रखी जा रही है ।

Rapid Transport System in big cities

233. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN : (he Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

I.I) whether it is a fact tha Governiti< i| have identified 23 big cities ining Delhi :o introduce fast moving Uam cars, as a Rapid Transport System;

(b) whether it is also a fact, that some State Governments have shown interest . to introduce this system on BOT basis:, and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER). (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Enquiries have been received from some State Governments for construction of HST system in their metropolitan cities. However, it is for the respective State Governments to implement the project.

Implementation of development activities in Inland Waterways

239. SHRI PRAMOD M AFLAT AN : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Govern ment and the Inland Waterways Autho rity have formulated a detailed strategy for the implementation of various

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I a< tvitie$_s$ during the next two years;

(b) if so, the det«"s thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that Inland ways Authority has identified some problems' and also given some suggestions to resolve them;

(d) if so, the details of that sugges tion .

(e) how much amount UNDP fs giving as assistance for this project; and

(f) by when and how this strategy will be implemented?

fHE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) . (a) and fb>. Yes, Sir. The Inland Waterways Authority of India have formulated a policy|strategy for the deve'op- of inland waterways in the country. Under this policy, in order to ex pand the inland water trmport network in the country, it is planned to develop the National Waterways No 1 to 3, i.e. the Ganga, the Brahmaputra and the Wes) Const Canal for the safe navigation and shipping by providing necessary in-Frasrructura] facilities like terminals, na vigational aids, bank protection in nar row stretches etc If is also proposed to study and examine 1 he question of dec laring few moie waterways as National Waterways.

(c) and (d). Yes, Sir. The planning of different schemes and the expenditure to be incurred therefor has been reviewed keeping in vie$_w$ the budgetary allocation. As a result, developmental activities on 'he National Waterways are being step ped up. Action is also being taken to provide more manpower to enable the Authority to execute various program mes.

. (e) No financial assistance is presently being given by UNDP for the Inland Waterways Authority of India's projects.

(f) The various schemes, a$_s$ idetnified in - he po'icy strategy document of the rWAI for implementation, have been/are being taken up for execution, for making National Waterways No. 1 and 2 adequately, operational and for developing National Waterway No. 3 (declared in Feb-""iv 1993).

Maintenance of Ba'larpur to Belonia National Hlighway

240. SHRI VISHNU KANT SHAS-TRT: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleaded to state:

(a) whether 'it is a fact that National vay No. 44 from Baradpur to Belo ngs] mainained;

(b) if so, what are the reasons- for maintenance;

fc) when the repairs of this highway was taken up last;

(d) whether it is also a fact that this national highway is so narrow that two ; cannot cross each other at any and

(e) if so, is there any plan to widen this Highway?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDJSH TYTLER) : (a) to fc). Baradpur and Belonja are not situ-d oil National Highway 44. Presum-[1] v the Hon'be Member has in mind Badarpur instead of Baradpur. National Highway No. 44 from Shilong to Agar-tala via Badarpur is being maintained in a traffic worthy conditon within available funds. Belonia i$_s$ south of Agartala and the road from Agartala to Belonia is a State roaj which is the responsibility of State Government of Tripura.

(d) and (e) National Highway No. 44 is 482 Kms long, out of which 208 Km is double lane. 258 Km Intermediate lane and only 1<5 Km single lane carriageway. Improvement of this National Highway is being carried out in a phased manner subject to availability of funds.

Construction of cutvedts and bypasses on National Highways in Tamil Nadu

241. SHRI V. RAIAN CHELLAPPA:
SHRI S. AUSTIN:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state the names the National Highways in Tamilnadu in respect of ^,vhich Schemes for const-ructions oi culverts, bypasses and widening of roads are under consideration?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT *HRJ* JAGDISH TYTLER): Schemesfor uction of bypasses on NH 4, 45 and 47 and widening on NH 7, 7A and 49 are onsideration during 1994-95. Whenever required as per site condi-tions, culverts are considered on any of J' i Is in the State.

Expansion of Inland Water Transport Network

242. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHER-JEE: Will the Minister of SURFACE INISPORT be pleased to state:

whai steps Government intend to take f" i i ion of Inland Water Tra-i! Network to cater the vast potential in movement of cargo by this mode;

fh) whai is the future plan of Inland r Transport Corporation in this regard;